

SafeRide begins fixed route bus system

Service combines with aTa Bus to offer ease of access, shorter wait times

Eli B Neal
junior staff writer

K-State's SafeRide program switched from a taxi service to a bus service with fixed routes this semester.

SafeRide is a free service intended to prevent the potential dangers of drunken drivers, and to offer a safe way for students to get home late at night.

The SafeRide buses run from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. Thursday through Saturday during the school year and are available to K-State students and their friends, so long as one person in a group of four has a valid K-State ID.

The SafeRide program started in 2003, said Victoria Hatch, program director and junior in criminology and psychology. From 2003 until this semester, the program functioned as a taxi service. Students could call and request a ride, and a taxi van would pick them up from that location and give them a ride home.

Hatch said since the program's beginning, they hoped to have a bus service with fixed routes. However, funding shortages, combined with the limited availability of transportation services in Manhattan, had made this goal unattainable until now.

Hatch said earlier this year SafeRide was approached by aTa Bus, a local transportation company, that indicated it would be interested in helping enact a SafeRide bus route service.

The new bus route system includes two separate routes: one circles Aggieville, the neighborhoods on the east side of campus and the Derby Complex; a second route covers the neighborhoods west of campus, the Jardine Apartments and the residence halls near the Kramer Dining Center.

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Senate to enhance classroom experience

New leaders' bill on agenda for first SGA meeting of the semester

Danny Davis
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The Student Senate resumes its weekly meetings Thursday. Members return from the spring semester alongside a new Student Governing Administration and new senators.

Danny Unruh, senior in food science and industry and political science, and Annie Oliver, senior in life sciences, were elected last spring as student body president and vice president. Kyle Reynolds, senior in family studies and human services, was approved as speaker of the Student Senate and will head the meetings.

On the agenda for this week, a bill targeting an enhanced classroom experience will be introduced.

"That was one of the initiatives of the Danny and Annie campaign," Reynolds said. "It's basically how can we make an effective learning environment for students and faculty."

The bill calls for the creation of a committee to research possible methods for improving the classroom experience. Reynolds said an exclusive feature of the committee is it will be comprised of both students and faculty. Furthermore, the students will not be limited to senators.

By allowing students outside of SGA to serve on the committee, Reynolds said they will offer a fresh perspective on the issue.

Senate begins at 7 p.m. in the Big 12 Room at the K-State Student Union. Attendance is open to students and faculty.

VICTORIOUS

K-State wins at home in front of sold-out crowd

Sam Nearhood
staff writer

Brand-new bleachers and giant Powercat banner? Check. Half a team new to collegiate play? Check. Winning the first home match to a sold-out audience? Check. What more could the volleyball team want? Ostensibly, consistency.

"Early, we were bad," head coach Suzie Fritz said. "It was terribly inconsistent, terribly undisciplined, and that's the challenge that I pose to our team, is 'can we overcome our inexperience by being a more disciplined volleyball team?'"

Regardless of the balance, K-State (1-3) ousted the University of South Dakota (2-3) in four games. The match began with a heated trade-off of points between the two teams. Neither took much of a lead for most of game one, until K-State nabbed four straight to take a narrow advantage. South Dakota rallied back from its deficit to close out its only win with an impressive defensive performance. By game two, the Wildcats drove hard for some huge hits and hair-width digs, but they gave up too much in terms of errors and momentum. A late run from the Coyotes cooled down K-State, but it still managed to grab that last point for 25-19 victory.

Following intermission, K-State returned as a new team. Unfortunately, so had South Dakota. The latter stuck out some nice blocks to ice the front-row, but the former would not relinquish the long rallies, sliding into a 2-1 lead. The Wildcats powered through the first five points with senior JuliAnne Chisholm attacking from the back row. Starting at 13-8, the Cats put up a nice string from out of nowhere, but South Dakota quickly followed suit. Not wanting to go home early, the Coyotes turned on some heat, but K-State handled the heat, jamming down swing after swing to win the match 25-19.

It was a heyday for freshman middle blocker Kaitlynn Pelger. In only her fourth match of her collegiate career, Pelger recorded a match-high 15 kills with an even more impressive



Nathaniel LaRue | Collegian

Kathleen Ludwig, sophomore volleyball player, celebrates a point during the Wednesday evening game against the University of South Dakota.

.364 hitting percentage. It was the addition of her four block assists and two aces that really hit Fritz's button.

"She's not just attacking well; she's also blocking well and handling little plays at the net," Fritz said. "She's also right now one of our most productive

servers. In terms of the amount of things she's doing well, I think she's exceeding my expectations."

Pelger would not let the numbers go to her head.

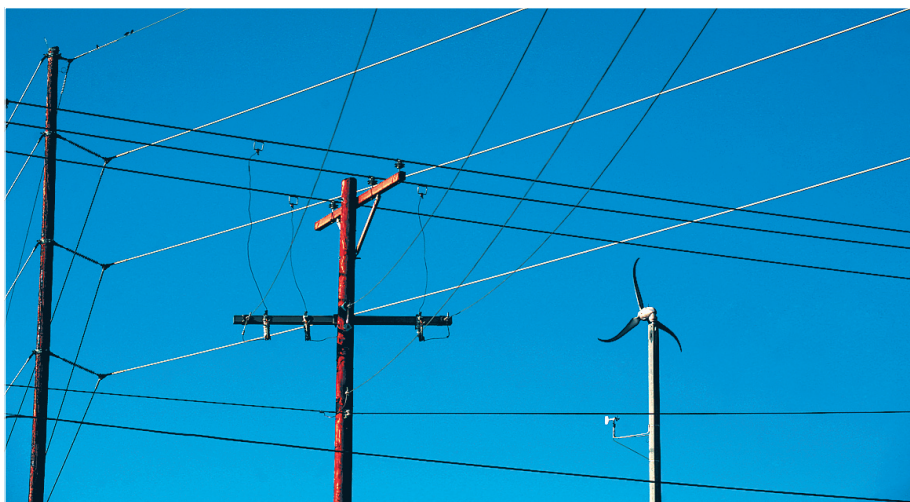
"Caitlyn Donahue set me perfect every time," Pelger said. "It was great

tonight, so I'm going to put a lot of points onto her."

Senior outside hitter JuliAnne Chisholm recorded 11 kills in one

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Wind turbine whirls up opportunities for research



Lisle Alderton | Collegian

Power lines fill the sky in front of K-State's Skystream wind generator, located near the corner of Denison and Kimball Avenues. K-State received \$856,000 in grants for the wind energy project.

Alternative energy source makes K-State more competitive

Sam Diederich
staff writer

K-State recently received a used wind turbine from Westar Energy, a donation that the university hopes will aid in the research and exploration of wind energy being performed at the Wind Applications Center.

Ruth Douglas Miller, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering and director for the Wind Applications Center, said she is excited about the research opportunities that may be presented by the presence of the turbine.

"Just to have that big of a machine close to campus, available to play with, is great," Miller said. "Also, I can write that in to a [research] proposal, which will make us more competitive

in receiving grants. Most universities don't have one or can't use one."

Miller said the Wind Applications Center was founded in fall 2007 with a grant from the National Renewable Energy Lab, with the hopes that the center could increase the public's acceptance of wind power as an alternative energy source by installing small turbines at schools around the state.

The turbine will also serve some educational functions, said Don Gruenbacher, head of the department of electrical and computer engineering.

"We plan to use the turbine in our courses on wind energy," Gruenbacher said. "We are hoping that the faculty, including graduate and undergraduate students, are able to use it to perform tests to analyze the efficiency of turbines and wind energy."

The turbine might also be a draw for students considering joining K-State's wind

energy research program.

"I hope it will be a flagship to attract attention to say that Kansas State cares about renewable energy, and to attract cool graduate students," Miller said.

Casey Lauer, director for the Energy and Environment Program, said he believes the turbine's purpose will be primarily educational.

"I see it mainly as an educational tool," Lauer said. "It will have some intermittent benefit in terms of energy supply, but it's not going to be something that's going to take us off the grid."

Lauer said the bigger aspect is exposure and said the donation gets the university thinking about alternative energy.

"If it's somewhere that we can see it as a university community and use it as a learning tool, I see some real benefits for the stu-

Online community allows expression

University Life Cafe provides personal and professional support

Kayla Duskie
junior staff writer

Online communities provide a way for students to express their thoughts, ideas and fears about academic and personal issues without worrying about the judgment of others.

University Life Cafe is one of those online communities.

The site for students provides professional information about topics like personal well-being, test anxiety, problem solving and suicide prevention. It also has activities like artwork and humorous videos.

University Life Cafe has been awarded by the American College Personnel Association as one of the top 10 innovations in college counseling.

"The original idea of being a 'cafe' was finding a place where students could meet, talk, engage and share their stories," said Fred Newton, former director of counseling services.

Barbara Pearson, assistant director of counseling services and director of University Life Cafe, said she wants to ensure K-State students that although the website has professional information available, it is not just another help site for students. It has other content like news about campus events, site-sponsored contests and annual art showings.

University Life Cafe launched in January 2009 and was created with contributions from K-State students, faculty and staff. On a weekend retreat, members created everything from the website's name to its logo and layout.

"Other universities are amazed that we've been able to do all of this, that we are able to get a committee together and



have instructors do an overnight retreat so this could all be made possible," Pearson said.

Since the website's launch, a student advisory board still meets regularly to discuss the site and how it can be improved.

"It really is the first of its kind in the U.S.," said Shalin Hai-Jew, instructional designer for the Information Technology Assistance Center.

The site is run by Pearson, several undergraduate students, graduate students and other members of the K-State faculty and staff.

The site-sponsored videos were shot on campus and feature students from the drama therapy department, and marketing and advertising students have focused on getting information out on campus.

"University Life Cafe is a great multi-layer project that reaches out to students that may not normally come into the counseling office," Pearson said. "This site reaches students where they are located."

Outside of the United States, people from 117 countries have visited University Life Cafe, and it has been translated into 30 languages. Pearson said the site is recognized more nationally and internationally than it is on the K-State campus.

"One of our goals now is to get the news about University Life Cafe spread around campus, so K-State students can take advantage of University Life Cafe's many benefits," Pearson said.

More information on University Life Cafe can be found on the second floor of the English and Counseling Services building or at www.university-lifecafe.org.

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POLICE REPORTS

Tiara Williams
staff writer

Daughter charged in murder case

A local woman was transported by Riley County Emergency Medical Services to Mercy Regional Health Center where she died, according to a Riley County Police Department news release.

June Smith, 88, of the 2800 block on Illinois Lane, suffered from severe lacerations, said Lt. Herb Crosby of the RCPD.

Her grandson, who is in his early 20s, called 911 last night reporting a stabbing, Crosby said.

Officers arrested Diane Washam, 45, who is Smith’s daughter, at 11:06 p.m. according to the release.

Washam was booked and charged with murder in the second degree. Bond was set at \$100,000.

The investigation is ongoing.

Woman dies from car wreck

A local woman died after driving into a tree, according to an RCPD report.

Rose Sharon, 64, of the 800 block on Pebblebrook Circle, was transported by Riley County Emergence Medical Services to Mercy Regional Health Center where she died, according to the RCPD report.

Sharon’s 2007 Ford Focus drifted from side to side and eventually went off the

side of the road where she hit a tree near the 3700 block of Anderson Avenue, Crosby said.

Crosby said a medical problem could have caused the collision.

An autopsy is scheduled to confirm the cause of death.

Bond set at \$6K

A local man was booked Tuesday for failure to appear, according to another RCPD report.

Jermaine Lamar Mosley, 28, of the 2500 block on Candle Crest Circle, had prior charges for driving under the influence, driving on a suspended license and refusal to submit to a breath test, Crosby said.

Bond was set at \$6,000.

WEEKLY BLOTTER

ARREST REPORTS

TUESDAY

Matthew Ladd Brockway, of the 1900 block of Kenmar Drive, was booked at 8:39 p.m. for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$750.

Matthew Ladd Brockway, of the 1900 block of Kenmar Drive, was booked at 11:18 p.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$235.

Humberto Garcia Jr., of Fort Riley, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Donelle A Henson, of 1400 Hartford Road, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set

at \$500.

Quarrence Jernell Jackson, of Fort Riley, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$300.

Brandon Arthur Kniffin, of the 1700 block of Houston Street, was booked for proba-tion violation. Bond was set at \$2,000.

Ronald Eric Larios, of Manhat-tan’s Rocky Ford Campground, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Jason Lamar Leonard, of the 2000 block of Strong Avenue, was booked for probation viola-tion. Bond was set at \$750.

Jason Rodger Lucas, of the 3000 block of Tuttle Creek Boulevard, was booked for aggravated battery. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Jermaine Lamar Mosley, of the 2500 block of Candle Crest Circle, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$6,000.

Blake Xavier Pope, of the 500 block of Stone Drive, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$500.

Giorgio Smith, of the 1400 block of Cambridge Place, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$750.

Dustin Lee Thomure, of the 2900 block of Nelson’s Landing, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$188.

Diane Rene Washam, of the 2800 block of Illinois Lane, was booked for second-degree murder. Bond was set at \$100,000.

WEDNESDAY

Otis Darryl Johnson Jr., of Alma, Kan., was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$545.

Christopher Demetri Starkes, of Junction City, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,000.

CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

Due to incorrect information provided by the Saline County Sheriff’s Office, one charge against Dustin L. Ringle was incor-rect in a Wednesday story. Among the charges against Ringle in the Sunday morning crash north of Salina that killed Salinan Meghan C. Will is misdemeanor DUI, Sheriff Glen Kochan-owski said Wednesday morning. Ringle has had one previous DUI conviction.

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Susie, a 56-year-old Chimpanzee, holds her newborn chimp at the Sunset Zoo. Susie is fond of sitting near the enclosure window, giving visitors a closer look at her and her young chimp.

Third oldest chimpanzee in captivity gives birth to baby girl at Sunset Zoo

Chimpanzee delivers healthy baby, despite age and health concerns

Karen Ingram
opinion editor

Staffers at the Sunset Zoo became concerned for Susie, their oldest chimpanzee, several months ago. Her stomach was getting big, and they feared the worst. “They thought she might have a tumor,” said Allie Lousch, marketing director for the Sunset Zoo. Tests revealed an unexpected surprise — Susie was pregnant. On August 18, she delivered a healthy baby girl. At 56 years old, Susie is the third oldest chimpanzee in captivity in the world, according to the Association of Zoos and Aquariums, and the oldest chimpanzee ever known to give birth in the world. News of the birth has

been covered by newspapers and websites all over the world, and many are referring to it as a “miracle.” Mark Ryan, general curator of the Sunset Zoo, said there were concerns about complications during the pregnancy, how the troop might react and whether or not Susie would be able to nurse and care for her baby. Susie has had two other babies in her life, but the last one was 22 years ago. Susie, however, has laid all of their fears to rest. The pregnancy and birth went well, and the troop is reacting favorably. Another chimp in the troop, Hazina, has a two-year old baby named Naya, and they often spend their time with Susie and her yet-to-be-named baby. “They’re doing great,” Ryan said. “She’s remarkable, as far as how she’s taking care of it, even at her age.” In a way, it is due to her age that she is pregnant — Susie

was taken off birth control a year and a half ago because of health issues, and zoo officials thought she could no longer get pregnant. According to Ryan, chimpanzees in the wild typically live to be around 40 to 45 years old, but in captivity, it is fairly common to see them live into their late fifties or early sixties. Although it is unknown whether or not chimps go through menopause, like humans, they usually stop having babies in their 40s, Ryan said. According to www.NationalGeographic.com, chimpanzees are humans’ closest cousins, sharing more than 98 percent of our genes. As

a result, many medications used on humans are also effective on chimps, such as birth control pills. Chimp babies are weaned between 3 and 5 years of age and usually leave the troop to join another at about age 8. In spite of her advanced age, Ryan and Lousch both said Susie was in good health, and the Sunset Zoo staff are confident that Susie will live long enough to raise her baby. “The keepers and the staff are very resourceful,” Lousch said. “She has every opportunity at Sunset Zoo to survive. They both do. It’s great; it’s very cool.” Ryan said Susie is fond of sitting next to the window of the chimpanzee enclosure, offering the public a rare opportunity to see her new baby. A contest to name Susie’s baby is planned for the near future. Details will be available soon at the Sunset Zoo’s website, www.ci.manhattan.ks.us/sunsetzoo.

Tips to keep food and people protected while tailgating

K-STATE RESEARCH AND EXTENSION

A familiar sight in rural America — using the tailgate on the pickup as a serving table for meals in the farm field — is likely to be replicated in parking lots surrounding athletic fields across the country this fall. Whether a home-style meal or pre-game feast, however, keeping food safe to eat need not be difficult, said Karen Blakeslee, K-State Research and Extension food scientist who also happens to be an avid football fan and veteran tailgater. Blakeslee, who spends her working hours answering food and food safety questions as coordinator for K-State’s Rapid Response Center, offers tips to keep party foods safe and party guests healthy: * Purchase and prepare enough food to feed guests, but not so much as to have leftovers that will spoil during the game and need to be discarded. * Prepare as much food as possible at home. For example, prepare chilled foods in advance; cover or wrap and chill

well before placing the chilled food in an ice chest or cooler shortly before leaving for the party and game. * Ask out-of-town guests to bring non-perishable foods such as crackers, chips, fruit or disposable tableware to reduce opportunities for party foods to spoil. * Keep raw foods and cooked foods in separate coolers to prevent cross-contamination, and dedicate an additional cooler for easy access to beverages without jeopardizing other cooled foods. Note: The temperature in a cooler can change each time the cooler is opened. * Use plenty of ice: block ice will melt slower than cubes, which melt slower than crushed ice. * Wash hands before and after handling raw and cooked foods, and before and after eating, playing catch, etc. If water is not readily available, pack a jug of water, bar of soap and paper towels, single-use packaged towelettes, hand sanitizer gel or older terry towel cut into squares, moistened and used with a bar of soap.

* Transport food coolers in the air-conditioned passenger area, rather than a trunk or truck bed; cover with a blanket, and place in shade, out of direct sunlight. Pack condiments (mayonnaise, mustard, etc.) separately, and plan to add them just before serving. * Do not judge meat doneness by color; include a food thermometer when packing kitchen essentials for a tailgate picnic or party. Keep hot foods hot, and check recommended internal done temperatures with a food thermometer. An internal temperature of 160 F is generally considered safe for hamburgers; 165 F is recommended for poultry, and brats and hot dogs should be piping hot. More information about choosing and using a food thermometer is available at www.ksre.ksu.edu/foodsafety/. * If bringing carry-out foods such as pre-made hoagie sandwiches or fried chicken, keep them at appropriate temperatures for safety, as they, too, are susceptible to contamination that can cause foodborne illness.

* For breakfast tailgates, egg casseroles should be cooked to 160 F. If transporting a cooked egg casserole, using an insulated container to keep the casserole hot is recommended. Wrapping the hot casserole in towels is an option, if an insulated container is not available. Also, fresh eggs or pasteurized egg products can be cooked on site in a skillet on top of the grill. Cook eggs until yolk and white are firm; cook only what will be eaten. * Use separate utensils and serving plates for raw and cooked foods to prevent cross contamination. * Know the rules; if the outside temperature is 90 F or above, perishable foods should be discarded after sitting out for one hour; in temperatures of less than 90 F, the food safety window extends to two hours, unless the food has been sitting in direct sunlight or otherwise looks suspect. * Make plans for protecting leftovers (wrapping and storing in an ice chest out of the sun is an example) or discard them. * Grilling? Follow guidelines

for disposing of hot coals, rather than risk fire that will damage your own and others’ property. Many places have clearly marked barrels for disposing hot coals. * If planning a post-game meal or snack, choose non-perishable foods and pack them separately. Examples include a snack mix, fruit, cookies or veggie tray. * Pack clean-up materials in a tailgating kit for the season. “Discard suspect foods,” said Blakeslee, who explained that foodborne illness can become apparent within as little as 30 minutes after eating a suspect food, but may not become apparent for several days or weeks. Symptoms of foodborne illness, which are often mistaken for the flu, include an upset stomach, diarrhea, chills, fever or headache. If foodborne illness is suspected, seeking medical advice is recommended. More information on food and food safety is available at local K-State Research and Extension offices and online at: www.rrc.ksu.edu or www.ksre.ksu.edu/foodsafety.

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FROM THE
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SGA to
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Welcome home. It is very exciting to see campus (and Aggieville) once again filled with students. Although the weather is still very warm outside, we will soon see the temperatures drop and the leaves begin to fall. If this is your first year at K-State, you are in for a real treat. Fall in Manhattan is simply amazing. This will be a big year for Student Government. You should all be excited to see both an executive branch and a legislative branch not focused on internal issues, but rather working on the issues that affect each of you throughout your time at K-State. If we aren't doing our job, tell us. Our position is to serve you. I encourage all of you to be involved in the process.

You've seen e-mails from me over the summer and the past few weeks touching on some of the hot-button summer issues. A quick recap: (1) Don't talk on your cell phone or text if you're driving a car. You will get pulled over. (2) If you are out with friends and need to get home safely, proceed to the nearest SafeRide stop. Or, go to the Union Parking Garage, where both the Purple and White routes depart every fifteen minutes. (3) Tuition has increased, but it is going back to the colleges, and more importantly, back to the students in the form of new faculty, new laboratory equipment and new programming. In the coming weeks, we will be introducing our plan to examine the classroom experience at K-State. We have many award-winning faculty and students on board, and we are excited to unveil this new program in the coming weeks.

Enjoy the Labor Day weekend! Thanks to all the students who purchased athletic tickets. As you tailgate this Saturday, have fun, but please do so responsibly and with courtesy. Be sure you make it into the game. SGA has worked tirelessly to provide the first 2,200 students in attendance with a free "Big 12" purple T-shirt. Not only will you want to wear it against UCLA, but it will be great to have when the Huskers come to town! Finally, make the Bill the loudest stadium in America on Saturday. Go Cats!

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POOR STRATEGY

Tea party takes pages from Democratic handbook



You have probably heard about the Tea Party movement, the group of Average Joes and Plain Janes fighting for freedom. You have also probably heard of a few of the Tea Party's leaders, particularly Sarah Palin and Glenn Beck. Palin and Beck are the mouthpieces of this grassroots political movement, the ones going around organizing communities to oppose the so-called "tyranny" of the current government.

Wait. Grassroots movement? Organizing communities? Wouldn't that make Palin and Beck ... community organizers?

If any of this sounds familiar, then you were paying attention during the last election cycle. These are the strategies and tactics that brought Barack Obama, the Tea Party's biggest enemy, so much success in 2008. And much as Obama and the Democrats were victorious two years ago, I foresee the Tea Party winning a few elections this year as well.

But the Tea Party took another page from the Democratic handbook: lack of a unified political ideology. Tea Party leaders would like us to think the Tea Party is solely about fighting big government. But it isn't. It is a movement that feeds off the fear and anger of so many Americans and takes hundreds of millions of dollars in funding from large corporations that have everything to gain by unseating the Democrats. For instance, The New Yorker recently reported that the Koch Foundation, backed by Koch Industries, has funneled tens of millions of dollars into the Tea Party movement. In 2008, Forbes named Koch Industries the second-largest privately held company in America.

Why are so many people angry? And what do they fear? Maybe it really is a fear of big government, but I think it is more likely a fear of the changing social and political landscape in America as represented by the Democratic Party.

In any case, governments aren't run on fear and anger — not good ones, at least. So even though Tea Partiers will surely find some success in this year's election, the movement is doomed to fail in the long run. Once people like Rand Paul of Kentucky and Joe Miller of Alaska find their way into political office, they will discover the hard way that their policy proposals are quite unpopular.

For instance, many in the Tea

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Party have proposed repealing many of the social safety nets provided by welfare programs and Social Security. Yet when it comes to passing legislation to repeal such programs, only a handful of Congressmen are going to risk their political lives to support them. The same is true of any attempts to overturn protections guaranteed under the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as so many Tea Partiers would have. As successful as this legislation has been, I imagine more than a few people taking issue with their repeal. Any attempt to undo them is effectively political suicide.

The lack of a unified platform also poses problems for the Tea Party. In fact, under closer scrutiny,

the Tea Party is less of a movement and more of a mob. So many angry people with so little direction are bound to fall apart at some point.

The one idea that underpins many in the Tea Party however seems counterintuitive considering the grassroots approach it embodies. Almost every Tea Party organization supports lower taxes and less government regulation, especially for large corporations. Unsurprisingly, those corporations with the most to gain from lower taxes and less regulation have poured millions of dollars into supporting these groups.

What is surprising is how much the average American who has nothing to gain from powerful

corporations has clung to these ideas. Hopefully, these proposals to help the same corporations that ran the economy into the ground find enough resistance from Democrats and sensible Republicans to stop them dead in their tracks.

The Tea Party will surely have a profound effect on this year's election and the government's policies in years to come. If you thought that Obama was full of rhetoric and not enough policy, wait until you see the Tea Party once it finally reaches political office.

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Political pundits lack credentials, do not deserve big bucks



I have never swayed sharply to the left or the right when it comes to politics, but one position I do like to take is that popular pundits on television or broadcast should, at the very least, have the credentials to back up their claims. It seems that some of our nation's most popular political voices have a very checkered past when it comes to substance abuse and education. At what point does a person take a bunch of drugs, drop out of college and then decide, "Hey, you know what I would be really good at? Telling America everything that is wrong with one side of the political system. Yes, that is what I will do with my life!" Whatever that point is, Glenn Beck and Rush Limbaugh have both reached it and they now have the popularity and the paycheck to prove it. Fox News commentator and radio talk show host Glenn Beck struggled

for years with alcohol and drug dependence, according to Alexander Zaitchik in a 2009 interview with Salon magazine. Beck was quoted as saying that for 15 years, there was not a single day when he was not high from smoking marijuana. Glenn Beck also has no college degree, according to the same interview. Originally planning on being a part-time theology student at Yale University, Beck only made it through one class before dropping out. Will somebody please explain to me how a college dropout with a history of drug and alcohol abuse got a job as a political analyst and receives a seven-figure paycheck? If I dropped out of K-State to go on a "spiritual search" and converted to Mormonism, could I also buy myself some weed and get my own radio and TV programs? What do you even put on a resume when you have no degree in broadcast? "I didn't go to school, but I was a disk jockey for a radio station." If Glenn Beck were the only pundit with no credibility pushing the conservative agenda, it would be annoying, but dismissible. However, Glenn

Beck is not the only public figure at fault. Rush Limbaugh, who dropped out of Southeast Missouri State University in the early 1970s, has enjoyed wild success through radio, television and book deals

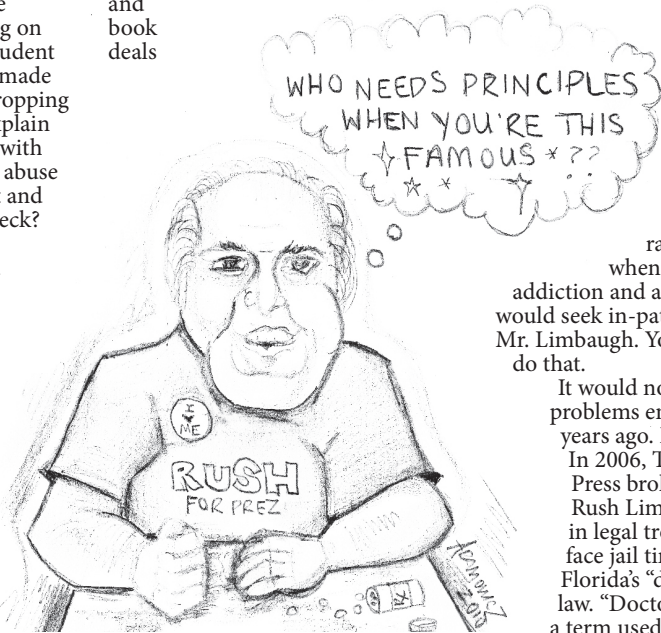


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despite having no degree and several issues with substance abuse.

In October 2003, the National Enquirer ran a story about the conservative and outspoken radio host having an addiction to prescription painkillers. As little merit as the National Enquirer has, Rush Limbaugh confirmed the rumor on his radio show in 2003 when he admitted his addiction and announced that he would seek in-patient rehab. Fine, Mr. Limbaugh. You go ahead and do that.

It would not be an issue if his problems ended there eight years ago. But they didn't. In 2006, The Associated Press broke the news that Rush Limbaugh was again in legal trouble and could face jail time for violating Florida's "doctor shopping" law. "Doctor shopping" is a term used for people who go to multiple physicians in a relatively short period of time,

usually in order to get multiple prescriptions. After paying some steep fines, Rush Limbaugh did not spend any time behind bars, which is once again a subtle reminder that money might not buy you happiness, but it does buy you a clean slate every once in awhile. Those \$400 million contracts with Clear Channel Radio sure do come in handy sometimes. So much for his on-air denouncements about the penalties people should pay for abusing substances in America. In the spirit of the pot calling the kettle black, I raise my liberal glass to you, Rush.

The biggest issue I have with these public figures is not that they are successful or conservative. The problem is they are successful despite having nothing other than strong opinions, outspoken attitudes and histories of substance abuse to qualify them. The variety of substance abuse issues surrounding their personal lives seems more than inappropriate. These are the people that are getting huge paychecks to ramble about the liberal agenda and why it is wrong. If you ask me, the biggest problem in this situation is that they are being allowed to ramble about anything at all.

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LINING UP WELL



Charlie Dickey, offensive line coach for the K-State football team, trains players through their drills during the fan appreciation day August 21.

Offensive line coach emphasizes physicality

Ashley Dunkak
sports editor

The offensive line boasts four returning starters, and Charlie Dickey is at the helm. Carson Coffman calls him one of the best coaches on the team, and others have mentioned his name as one of the best O-line coaches in the country. The Collegian caught up with him to talk about the line's improvement and what he wants from his players.

Q: What are your thoughts on the offensive line of 2009?

A: I was pleased with how they improved, like everybody else. Disappointed in the way that we didn't finish the way we needed to finish.

In the end, we would have liked to have finished better, and that was a big deal.

Q: What do you want in offensive linemen?

A: Guys that are going to be smart and understand concepts and understand the offense. We're really looking for guys that are going to be accountable, do the little things and appreciate ... how to get there. They've got to have that blinder mentality. They've got to be the hardest workers, and they've got to learn how to just relish the grind.

Q: How motivating is it to be blocking for someone like Daniel Thomas?

A: We plan on taking a lot of pride in blocking for him. He's got a chance to be maybe one of the best backs in the country next year, and I've told our guys that he will be as good as we allow and make him. We've got to do our part for him to have a successful year. He's a great back, but we can make him even a greater back if we do our job.

Q: What are the goals of this group?

A: We want to be physical, we want to be tough, we want to run the ball effectively, we want to play with discipline, technique, and we also want to be great pass blockers.

Q: How essential is the closeness

of an offensive line?

A: I think it's something they've got to want to do. It's important for guys to care about one another and be a cohesive unit and hopefully they want to spend time together. They don't have to be best friends and all that, but if they are, then great. It's nice — you try to encourage those guys to hang out with each other.

Q: How much of an advantage is it to have four veterans on the offensive line?

A: I think it's very important. I think when you have four starters back, it really helps, gives them confidence. They know each other; they like being around each other. That experience is a big deal.

Freshmen boost volleyball team



Sam Nearhood

Last week, we talked about the new changes and rising stars in the volleyball lineup, most notably Caitlyn Donahue in her returning role as setter and Alex Muff stepping up to fill Kelsey Chipman's shoes. Head coach Suzie Fritz also brought in an attack-heavy bumper crop of freshmen that will compete to put the best on the line each match.

First on the list so far is middle blocker Kaitlynn Pelger. In last weekend's three-match tournament in Hawaii, Pelger dominated the other freshmen in the stat books. Offensively, she hit 22 solid attacks — second only to powerhouse senior outside hitter JuliAnne Chisholm. Her percentage could use some work; with a total of 66 looks, she recorded a .121 percentage in the end. She was facing three of the best teams in the nation, which means that stronger opposing attacks yielded less-than-ideal set-ups for the passers and setter, giving the hitters imperfect sets, and that the hitters were swinging into stronger blocks. Regardless, Pelger had a strong showing that is sure to improve with the season, giving K-State one more middle blocker to complement Muff. Defensively, Pelger led the team in blocks, recording one solo and 13 assisted — one quarter of the team's total.

Next up is outside hitter Courtney Cook. In Hawaii, she only recorded five kills, but her percentage was a reliable .294, a number good for anyone, especially a true freshman adjusting to college-level play against ranked opponents. Cook did not receive many sets — leading to her lower kill number — but this could very well change after her performance in the Chevron Rainbow Wahine Invitational. Only playing four of the 10 games, Cook needs more playing time to bolster her already high numbers.

Rounding out the new front-row players is Dakota Kaufman, Chisholm's cousin. There must be something in that family's blood, because Kaufman is well on her way to the success that Chisholm has enjoyed for some time now. Last weekend, she played all 10 games and started in two of the matches, a feat that only Pelger topped of the freshmen. Kaufman had nearly the same number of looks as Pelger, but she turned only half as many into kills, giving her a -.062 hitting percentage going into last night's match against the University of South Dakota. The 6-feet-1-inch freshman from Hillsboro, Kan., will most likely improve as well. For blocking, Kaufman stand strong, both alone and with others; in Hawaii, she recorded one solo block and six assisted, the third highest on the team after Pelger and Muff.

In the back row, we have seen an impressive, promising performance from defensive specialist Tristan McCarty. Coming from the training of Manhattan High's former head coach Lori Martini, McCarty, who is also the daughter of Manhattan High's principal, has filled the position vacated by Donahue and Abby Fay. At last weekend's tournament, she scored one service ace and recorded 13 digs, far above any other true freshman.

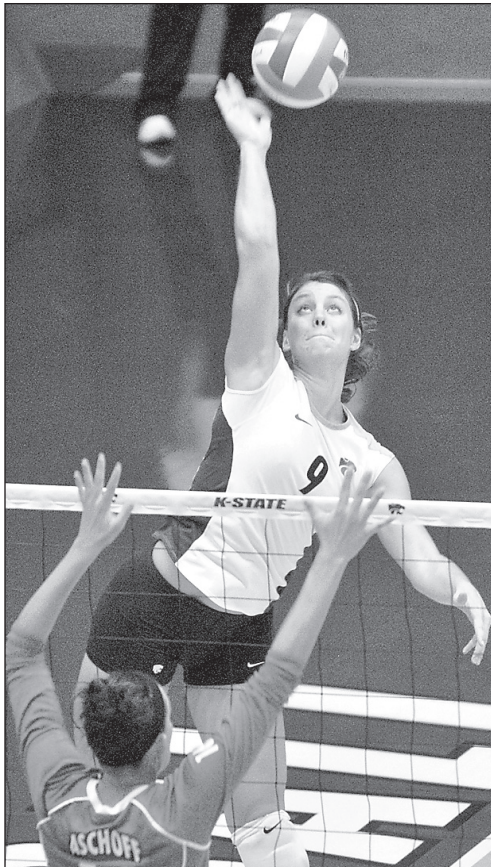
This is senior libero Lauren Mathewson's last year on the team, which means her spot will be up for grabs to the highest bidder, and McCarty is certainly putting in an impressive call. If she spends three years at that position, she will undoubtedly achieve the record-shattering levels of Mathewson, and most likely give Mathewson a run for her money in the record books.

Right now, these freshmen still need some more polishing before they can truly compete with the highest echelons of Division I volleyball. However, given a year or two competing together, practicing together and growing together, these athletes will certainly take K-State to new heights, maybe higher than those seen by Fritz and those are pretty high.

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VOLLEYBALL| Expenses stretch event budget to limit

Alex Muff, sophomore middle blocker, goes up for a spike during the game against the University of South Dakota Wednesday night.



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half of her double-double, but even more significant was her career-high 15 digs, a number only surpassed by senior libero Lauren Mathewson. One more true freshman — outside hitter Courtney Cook — combined with sophomore middle blocker Alex Muff and sophomore opposite hitter Kathleen Ludwig for near-double digits. They also posted high hitting percentages, including Ludwig's mark of .438.

The home team came out with three straight points, owed largely to a trio of digs from Chisholm and two brick walls. A botched attack downshifted the pace some, with the teams trading points until South Dakota brought the game to a tie. South Dakota then took a one-point lead, but K-State grabbed a long rally to set off a four-point run to 17-15. Not to be outdone, South Dakota set up another string for a 22-21 lead, then repeated the effort to win the game, 25-22, on a K-State blocking error.

Another four-point run notched K-State as favored to take its first game in game two, and they drove to game point

PLAYER OF THE GAME



Kaitlynn Pelger

Freshman middle blocker
15 kills, .364 hitting percentage
2 service aces
4 block assists

after a Coyote net violation. However, South Dakota did not seem ready to call it quits; down 13-24, it grabbed six straight points, but Donahue and redshirt freshman Kacia Turner teamed up for a tight quick hit to claim game two, 25-19.

Something clicked for K-State in game three, as Mathewson netted her team a service ace and three more points. After a long rotation, in which Muff hit back-to-back fireballs and Donahue had a pair of saves, K-State broke a timeout icing attempt from South Dakota to string together points for a 25-18 win.

The Wildcats returned to the court for the final game with five players hitting at least .250. After a quick five-point run by

K-State, the match settled into its norm of trade-off play. At the top of the second rotation, both teams strung together decent runs, with K-State keeping its lead at 15-11. A controversial call added one for South Dakota, but another back-and-forth run edged the Wildcats closer to their first victory. At match point, a save from freshman Tristan McCarty popped the ball back up in friendly territory, eventually falling in favor of K-State, closing the match at 25-19.

"I thought it took us a little long to get going," Chisholm said, "but I thought we were great at the end. It was so nice to get a first win. We got a long ways to go, and we got to work to get there, but we're going to do it."

Popular basketball game brings golfers together

Knocking out a path to better putting

Ashley Dunkak
sports editor

When you ask the women's golf team who has the best shot on a basketball court, the hands of Elise Houtz and Whitney Pyle immediately shoot into the air, and the team breaks down laughing. The moment embodies both camaraderie and competition, and it mirrors the attitude of the players perfectly. Head coach Kristi Knight challenged the ladies before the summer to work on their short games, and on the first day of practice she made the

challenge more specific. She asked them to create a putting game that would be a golf version of knockout.

The team's trips to the Rec for knockout games began because circumstances prevented the girls from getting to golf one day. The circumstances included snow — so much of it that the ladies couldn't get to the course.

Within five minutes of the coach's request, though, the team had created a golf version of knockout and had an intense game in progress.

"It gets them thinking, gets them talking," Knight said. "There's nothing better than that; they're having fun trying to make putts. It's confidence. They're laughing,

they don't want to stop, so I like so far the energy that I've seen."

The short game had been a bit of a thorn in the side for the team last season, so the knockout game gave an opportunity to work competitively on putting without the pressure of a game situation.

"If you know at what pace you deliver, you can read greens," Knight said. "If your pace is inconsistent, if one hole you hit it firm, and the next hole you die it in ... it makes it hard for you to read putts. Your pace determines how you read putts."

In college golf, official practices cannot begin until school does. However, that did not stop any of the ladies

on the team from getting out to Colbert Hills Golf Course and working on their own.

"I do a lot of chipping games," said Pyle, sophomore. "I try to challenge myself; if I get these up and down, I get something. That's how I work best."

Houtz's automatic response was she practices like she plays.

"Put yourself in real situations that would actually happen on the course," the senior said.

Having worked individually for several months now, the women are confident in their own abilities and those of their teammates.

"We all have the drive to be the best, I think," Pyle said.

Misenhelter agreed everyone has a shot at No. 1.

While last year's leaders Abbi Sunner and Morgan Moon are gone to graduation, the ladies describe their team as deep and talented. Knight seems to agree.

"If they commit, and I believe they will, if they commit to bringing their best every day, and being accountable and holding each other accountable, they're going to even have more fun because it's fun and it's a great journey and experience as they accomplish things as a group," Knight said.

The women's golf team begins its season with the Chip-N-Club Invitational Sept. 13 in Lincoln, Neb.

RESULTS MAY VARY

Senior's advice for fellow students



Sara Gudde

I am all about helping you, my fellow K-Stater. Why is this? Because I love K-State. I love being a student. Over the past three years as a Wildcat, I have seen the best of times and the worst of times in college life. I have learned a lot since my first day on campus as a dazed and confused freshman. Most of what you learn in college does not come from a textbook. I know the college experiences that have impacted me the most will be a part of who I am long after my royal purple Wabash T-shirt has faded.

My college life thus far has been packed full of the most random happenings. From a stint with the KSU Pride of Wildcat Land Marching Band to life in the residence halls to enduring engineering physics, I have shared my college years with some interesting groups of people. I have had the pleasure of learning from their mistakes and a few of my own. I have had my toilet seat stolen, encountered a man in Longhorns Saloon dressed as a Jedi and crowd surfed in Bill Snyder Family Stadium.

In my humble opinion, the random junk aforementioned, along with a few events that were carefully omitted, qualifies me to take on the great humanitarian effort of helping other K-Staters survive this awesome, painful, fun, scary, cataclysmic event we call the college years.

This is where you come in. Yes, you. Ask a stupid question, get a stupid answer. Have a more serious question? I'm ready for those, too. Dealing with discrimination? Crazy significant other? Professor seems to be writing in Greek? I am here to help you, but be forewarned: results may vary.

Q: My roommate won't get off my X-Box. What do I do?

A: Never fear! You have a few options. You can A) throw the X-Box out the window, screaming, "If I can't play it, no one can!" B) wear your X-Box power cable as a belt, C) eat all of his food in retaliation, D) set up a fake camera and make him think you are watching him at all times or E) sit down and talk to him about it, man-to-man or woman-to-woman, and set some ground rules. Your choice.

Q: Do I have to graduate in four years?

A: No. As a matter of fact, the people over in the Cashier's Office would love for you to take six or seven years so they can keep raking in your tuition. But assuming you aren't made of money, talk to your academic adviser. Believe it or not, advisers are good for more than raising your flag on iSIS. They can help you come up with a sweet graduation plan and figure out what classes you will take and when you will take them.

Just so you know, there is a good chance you will take five years to graduate if you are an engineer and a mere mortal. The same goes for architecture. Also, if you kill enough brain cells on the weekend, you might be here more than five years. Whenever you would like to graduate, be it in four years or 14 years, just talk to your academic adviser.

Q: What is the Shuttle Drop?

A: This depends entirely on context. This could refer to NASA's typical plan for spacecraft re-entry. Or when more than eight people get on an elevator in a residence hall. But I would be willing to bet you are referring to an essential skill for staying off grease when eating Pizza Shuttle pizza.

A successful Shuttle Drop can be accomplished in three easy steps: 1. Flip your pizza box upside down. 2. Drop the box from shoulder height onto the ground. 3. Pick up the box and flip it right side up, in one fluid motion, if possible. The cardboard on the top of the box soaks up some of the grease from the top of your pizza. It still won't be quite organic, but your digestive tract will appreciate it.

Q: What is the answer to life, the universe and everything?

A: 42, duh.

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GETTING DIGITS

Three different ways to secure a phone number: direct to stalker approach

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Phone books. Once these colossal directories were the easiest and most accurate way of finding the phone numbers of friends, businesses and strangers. Times have changed, and in the midst of the technology boom, more and more people are ditching their land-lines and reducing the phone book to a doorstop. One might think these changes would make obtaining a phone number more difficult. Poppycock! Today's society has provided us a plethora of approaches to getting someone's number.

DIRECT APPROACH

"Hey, I like your face. Can I have your number?" It is as simple as that. You can throw in a cheesy pick-up line or a compliment, but this approach is the most simple. It requires no technology, but rather a little confidence (or a really good wingman).

This approach works in professional settings too, but drop the pick-up line. Professors would rather students use a direct approach, said Lori Atkins Goodson, instructor for the College of Education.

"The direct approach is great because I've still got the power," Goodson said.

Whether talking to your professor or an attractive acquaintance, asking directly for a person's phone number gives the target control over what information they give, as well as the right to deny giving any. The information received directly is also more likely to be accurate than information taken from a phone book, which might be outdated.

If the direct approach seems slightly intimidating, fear not; there are other ways to get a number without completely stepping into the panic zone.

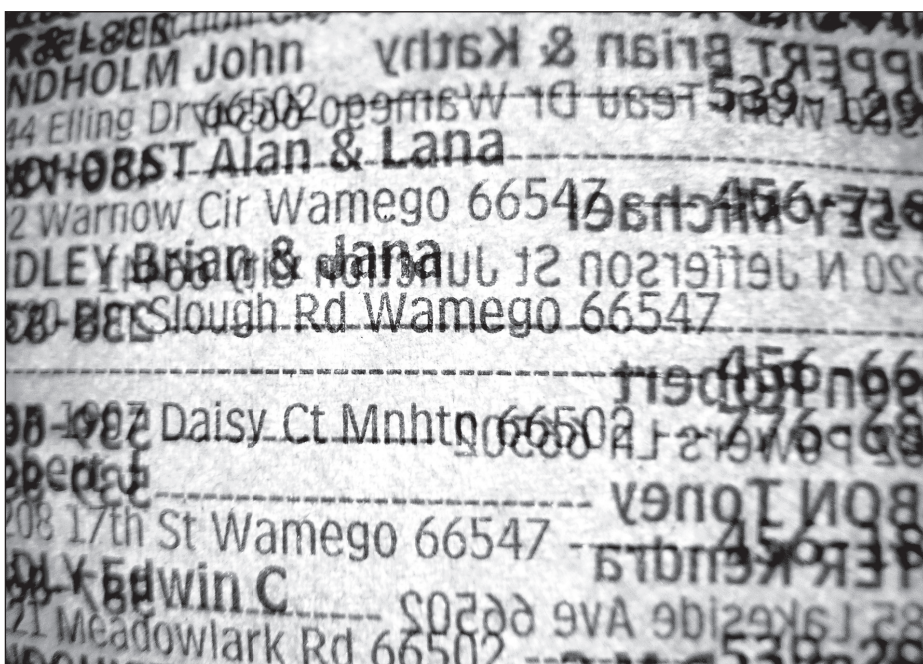


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Technology has simplified the masses of information contained in phone books and provides alternatives to the phone number retrieving process.

PASSIVE-AGGRESSIVE APPROACH

If found freezing up in front of a crush and lacking the gumption to ask directly for a number, this approach works quite well. Asking a mutual friend, consulting the number sheet at work or sending an e-mail or Facebook message are all great ways to get numbers. This approach is still considered a comfortable and non-creepy method and is preferable to people who would rather avoid face-to-face awkwardness.

Seth Ellis, senior in education, said Facebook seems to be the "quickest way and the most natural approach" to getting someone's number.

One of the many perks of the digital age is how quickly information can travel. While the ease of obtaining information often works to one's advantage, it sometimes takes the control out of people's hands completely.

STALKER APPROACH

Some people lack the extroverted disposition needed for the direct approach and the

tions needed for the passive-aggressive approach. For them, the "creeper" option can be the only one. Online white pages simply require a name or address to find a person's phone number.

Some social networking websites simply require you to "friend" your target to see listed phone numbers. In cases of weak privacy settings, the phone number might even be publicly visible. According to Facebook's self-published statistics, the social networking website has over 150 million users accessing their profiles with their mobile phones, many of whom add their phone numbers to their profiles.

Lastly, the K-state website makes it easy for its student population to creep on one another. With its quick and easy "people" search, it is possible to find any K-State student or employee simply by typing in the name. The website also provides addresses for people who have listed them on their K-State accounts. For all the introverts out there, this option is always open, but the target might not appreciate it.

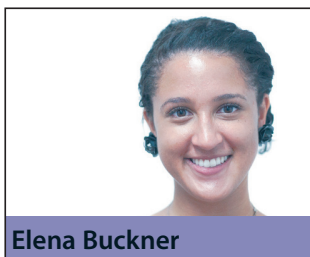
Kjerstine Rosquist, senior in education, said she feels like her privacy has been violated when people obtain her number from online sources.

"It bothers me," Rosquist said. "It's creepy and stalker-ish and a violation of privacy."

The best part about this approach is that no other human contact is needed, but remember that the target will want to talk in person eventually if things go well.

Still lacking the skills, means and connections necessary to get someone's phone number? Don't give up hope. There are always the phone numbers in bathroom stalls at the bars in Aggieville, or private investigators to hire. There are always options.

Communication plans vary, something for every budget



Elena Buckner

With today's need for communication and constant contact with others, choosing a voice plan can be confusing. The options seem to be endless — cell phones, landlines, a multitude of Internet voice plans — the list goes on and on. With all the information available, an important question emerges: How can a person decide what kind of plan will work best for their life? Here is a short summary of several different options to assist in the decision-making process.

A CELL PHONE

Even within this one category, there are many different options. Within the scope of phones themselves, there are choices of Androids (phones with features built on a platform created by Google), BlackBerries, iPhones and their knock-offs and more basic, "old-fashioned" models. In addition to the device itself, there are also several contenders when it comes to plans: T-Mobile, AT&T, Sprint, Verizon, Cricket, Boost Mobile and countless others. When choosing a cell phone and plan, one good idea is to create a list of features wanted and what is vitally important before ever going shopping. With those decisions made before ever wandering into a store or onto a website, the vast array of prices, phone capabilities and extras to add to a plan will be less overwhelming and easier to sort through.

A LANDLINE

Although it might seem they are becoming obsolete, landlines are still a common method of connecting with other people and often come bundled with Internet and cable packages. When looking into landlines, it is important to check whether the service will still work in cases of power outages. Some services use electricity to make the lines work, which means if the power is out, a cell phone is necessary to call anyone, even 911.

COMPUTER-BASED SERVICES

For someone looking to save a few dollars and still remain reasonably available to the outside world, services like Skype, Google Talk, Yahoo! Messenger and iChat make voice-to-voice conversations possible with only a computer and an Internet connection. Google Talk just added a feature allowing users to call any number in the United States for free from their computer and also allows calls to other countries for basic cents-per-minute rates. Skype also has a feature allowing users to call phones worldwide; users can choose one country to call for free then pay a

cents-per-minute fee for international calls. For an added fee, users can establish their own phone number via Skype and can even choose their area code. Users can then forward calls from the Skype account to another line if they choose, and Skype also has a voice mail function. Neither Yahoo! Messenger nor iChat currently support calls to phone lines; however, they both allow free voice and video calls from one computer to another, allowing for free conversations from one side of the planet to another if both parties have the Internet and a computer with a microphone.

Whether choosing to use one or multiple options for communication, it is important for consumer to know what features

they wanted and how much they are willing to pay for it. If constant availability is not important, a free online account will probably fit the bill. If, however, 30 minutes without sending a text message leaves one's fingers twitching, a monthly plan might be a better option. Whichever choice, read the fine print before signing the contract, then get ready to talk!

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With a variety of makes, models, colors and accessories, the potential to personalize a cell phone to fit both your wants and needs is virtually guaranteed.



SAFERIDE | System more efficient, security could become problem

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Hatch said the routes were determined based on data obtained from the company that had run the taxi system, and stops had been selected close to where people most frequently requested to be dropped off.

Hatch said she feels one of the greatest benefits the change to a fixed route system offers to students is a significantly shorter waiting time. In previous years, it was not uncommon for students to have to wait as long as 45 minutes after calling before a taxi would arrive.

Brian Marshman, a Manhattan resident who drove one of the Safe Ride taxis every weekend for the last six years, said he agreed it was not uncommon for people to have to wait long periods of time.

"We would get overloaded," Marshman said. "There were periods when there were enormously large groups of people waiting for a ride."

Hatch said students should expect far shorter waits under the new system.

"A bus should show up at the Union every 15 minutes, and

should be at the next stop two minutes later, and the stop after that a few minutes after that," she said.

Hatch said the larger size of the buses — the taxis were only seven-seat vans — should also decrease the amount of time students must wait.

Taylor Katz, junior in apparel marketing, said she has used the old Safe Ride taxi service and the new Safe Ride bus service, and definitely preferred the new service.

"The old Safe Ride wasn't very reliable; you'd have to call them and they didn't always pick up your calls, so it would be really frustrating," Katz said.

She said once or twice she arranged for a ride and the taxi never showed up.

"The bus service has scheduled times and stops, so it's a lot more efficient," she said.

Katz said she felt the bus service would also be more effective at preventing people from driving under the influence.

Marshman said one concern he had about the new route system was it might be less safe in some instances. Marshman said he felt that the old system

in which riders were delivered directly to their home offered more security.

"If it was a single female, we would wait until she had opened the door. That all seems to have gone," he said.

Hatch said this issue had been discussed when choosing to change the program, and it could be a potential downfall of the new system.

However, she said since waits were so long with the taxi service, people were forced to walk long distances rather than wait for a taxi. Therefore, she said it is far safer for someone to have to walk only a block or two from the bus stop, rather than all the way across town.

As the semester progresses, Safe Ride intends to change routes if necessary to get people closer to their homes, Hatch said.

Hatch said she hopes students will be patient as Safe Ride adjusts to the new system and encouraged students to send the program feedback.

"Everything will be considered," she said. "We just hope people will be patient and that they won't give up on us as we make our changes."

WIND | Turbine location unsure, environmental impact concern

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dents," Lauer said.

Although the process of acquiring the turbine is completed, uncertainty remains as to where the turbine will be installed.

"You want a site that has a good source of wind, obviously, but another concern is the environmental impact of the turbine," Gruenbacher said. "Another part is whether that location is acceptable to the public. We need to make sure that there are no impacts on the people living close by, and of course aspects on

whether it will affect the animals nearby."

Gruenbacher also said that potential interferences with Fort Riley's wireless communications and radar will be taken into account when selecting a site, as well as the preservation of local archaeological sites. No official date has been set for the turbine's installation, in part due to the many different variables that must be taken into account when choosing a site.

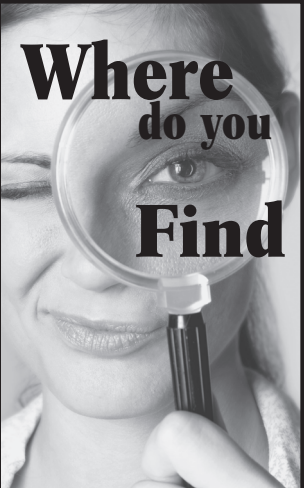
"There is a lot of ambiguity there. We are looking at sometime in the calendar year of 2011," Gruenbacher said. "It will probably be in the

latter part of that year because there is such a long process."

In addition to the installation, Miller said she also hopes the Wind Application Center can serve as a source of information for people interested in exploring the uses of wind energy.

"We want to educate the whole Kansas public, basically anybody who has questions about wind turbines, whether they want to put up a turbine in a back yard or on a farm, all of those kinds of questions," Miller said. "We want to stretch the limits beyond what is already known about wind turbines."

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